

REMARKS

With entry of this amendment, claims 45-53 are pending. Applicants have canceled claims 40-44 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter of these claims. Claims 45-53 have been added. Exemplary support for new claims 45-53 comes from the specification at paragraphs [010], [041], [044]-[046], and [062], and at Table 3, Table 5, and SEQ ID NO. 56. Accordingly, no new matter is added by this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment.

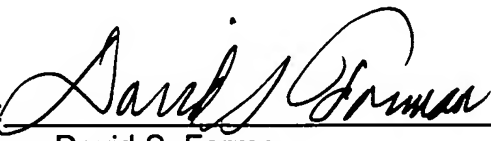
Early and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested. If the Office believes anything further is necessary in order to place this application in better form for examination, Applicants request that the Office contact their undersigned representative.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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